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1. NEGOTIATING ATMOSPHERE WITHIN ECOSOC COMMITTEE HAS SHIFTED FROM CAUTIOUS PESSIMISM TO CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM FOLLOWING TURN-ABOUT IN G-77 POSITION VIS-A-VIS AUTONOMY OF IFAD'S "FINANCIAL OPERATIONS." FULL ECOSOC COMMITTEE MEETS AGAIN MONDAY AFTERNOON (MAY 2).

2. G-77 MET FRIDAY MORNING, WITHOUT AMBASSADOR AL-SUDEARY, TO CONSIDER BOTH THEIR ORIGINAL HARDLINE PROPOSAL, LIMITING IFAD TO AUTONOMY IN ITS LOANS AND GRANTS SUBJECT TO OVERALL UN POLICY GUIDELINES, AND IFAD BUREAU COMPROMISE SLIGHTLY MODIFYING ORIGINAL DRAFT TEXT. G-77 PROPOSED COMPROMISE TEXT IN FULL ECOSOC SESSION LATE FRIDAY AFTERNOON AND IT WAS PROVISIONALLY ADOPTED WITH ONLY MINOR AMENDMENTS. TEXT READS AS FOLLOWS:

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"ARTICLE IV -CO-ORDINATION AND CO-OPERATION"

PARAGRAOH "1 IN VIEW OF THE CO-ORDINATING ROLE AND GLOBAL RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UN IN PROMOTING ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE NEED FOR POSITIVE AND EFFECTIVE CO-OPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE FUND, THE FUND AGREES TO COOPERATE CLOSELY WITH THE UN IN MAKING CO-ORDINATION OF THE POLICIES AND ACTIVITIES

OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THOSE OF THE ORGANS AND AGENCIES WITHIN THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM FULLY EFFECTIVE. THE FUND AGREES FURTHER TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORK OF THE UNITED NATIONS BODIES AIMED AT ENHANCING SUCH CO-OPERATION AND CO-ORDINATION, IN PARTICULAR THROUGH MEMBERSHIP IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON CO-ORDINATION AND AS APPROPRIATE IN THE WORK OF SUCH OTHER UN BODIES WHICH HAVE BEEN ESTABLISHED OR MAY BE ESTABLISHED FOR THAT PURPOSE."

PARAGRAPH "2. IN ITS FINANCING OPERATIONS, THE FUND SHALL EXERCISE ITS OWN INDEPENDENT JUDGEMENT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AGREEMENT, TAKING FULLY INTO ACCOUNT THE OVERALL POLICY GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED BY THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE FIELD OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL, AND PARTICULARLY IN AGRICULTURAL, DEVELOPMENT."

3. SESSION WAS ADJOURNED DURING DISCUSSION OF ADDITIONAL G-77 TEXT AMENDING IFAD DRAFT ARTICLE 4(I). G-77 TEXT WOULD REFER BACK TO CHARTER PARAS 55 AND 62 AS WELL AS TO RESOLUTIONS 3202 (S-8), 1768 (LIV) AND OTHERS IN EFFORT TO LINK IFAD MORE CLOSELY TO THE UN AND ITS GENERAL ASSEMBLY. ALL DEVELOPED COUNTRIES (US, CANADA, FRG AND FRANCE) THAT SPOKE ON 29 APRIL ON THIS PORTION OF THE G-77 TEXT STATED A STRONG PREFERENCE FOR DROPPING ALL MENTION OF UN RESOLUTIONS. THE NORDICS AND DUTCH HAVE REMAINED SILENT AT THE PAST TWO COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

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4. G-77 WILL MEET MONDAY, MAY 2, TO DISCUSS IFAD BUREAU COMPROMISE TEXT (WHICH DOES NOT INCLUDE RESOLUTIONS) AS WELL AS G-77 TEXT PROPOSING IFAD'S BUDGET BE SUBMITTED TO UN BEFORE ADOPTION WITH SUFFICIENT TIME FOR ACABQ AND UNGA REVIEW. IN INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS, US AND OTHERS HAVE STATED IN STRONG TERMS THAT SUCH REVIEW WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE. A COMPROMISE MIGHT BE POSSIBLE DRAWING ON IFAD DRAFT ARTICLE 5 (I) WITH THE CAVEAT: IFAD AGREES THAT IN DECIDING ON ITS ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET IT WILL FULLY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OVERALL RECOMMENDATIONS ON BUDGETARY QUESTIONS MADE BY THE UNGA TO THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.

5. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH NEGOTIATIONS COULD STILL GO EITHER QUICKLY TO RESOLUTION OR TO DEADLOCK, WE ARE CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC. CHANGES TO DATE IN THE FIRST FOUR ARTICLES DO NOT APPEAR TO US TO DISTORT FUNDAMENTALS PROPOSED BY IFAD PREPCOM ALTHOUGH ONE OR TWO SMALL MODIFICATIONS MAY YET BE NECESSARY TO MEET CONCERNS OF IFAD BUREAU. OUR HOPE WOULD BE THAT COM-

PROMISES WOULD BE POSSIBLE AND THAT A FINAL TEXT CAN BE  
WORKED OUT WHICH CAN WIN CONSENSUS APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE  
AND IFAD BUREAU.

6. FYI FOR ROME. AFTER ONE WEEK OF STUDIED SILENCE  
IFAD VICE CHAIRMAN CAMARA GAVE COMMITTEE COMPELLING  
EXPLANATION OF WORLD FOOD COUNCIL EVOLUTION AND RELATION  
TO UNGA AND SPECIALIZED AGENCY. THRUST OF HIS COMMENTS  
WERE THAT IFAD SHOULD RECEIVE RECOMMENDATIONS OF WFC  
ONLY IF THEY CAME VIA UNGA. HENCE THAT WORLD FOOD COUNCIL  
OUGHT NOT BE EXPLICITLY MENTIONED IN THE UN IFAD AGREEMENT

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